



## **PATENT APPLICATION**

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Colgan, et al.

Examiner: Mitchell, James M.

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For: Apparatus and Methods For Cooling Semiconductor

**Integrated Circuit Package Structures** 

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA. 22313

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 17, 2005, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, the species (1) corresponding to FIG. 5 and the subspecies (A) for "compliant layer". The claims that read on the provisionally elected species include claims 1-32.

Applicants acknowledge that upon the allowance of a generic claim, Applicants will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 C.F.R. §1.141.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a)

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However, as set forth in MPEP § 803, if the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner must examine it on the merits, even though the application contains claims to independent and distinct inventions. While the inventions may be distinct (although not explained in the Office Action), it is respectfully submitted that simultaneous examination will not present a serious burden. Indeed, the claimed inventions include subject matters that are related to the extent that all claims would undoubtedly be commonly classified. As such, it is respectfully submitted that there would be no serious burden on Examiner to simultaneously examination commonly classified claims. Under such circumstances, it is respectfully requested that Examiner maintain all claims in the same application.

Respectfully submitted,

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